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For: **Increased Lysine Production by Gene Amplification**  
Inventors: Hanke *et al.*  
Our Ref: 1533.1030002/MAC/PAC

Sir:

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5. Letter to PTO Draftsman: Submission of Substitute Formal Drawing;
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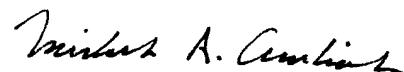
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